

Rec'd PCT/PTO

21 SEP 2004

Attorney's Docket No. SON-2651

10/508812

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION
English Language Declaration

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS AND OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS

the specification of which

(check one)

is attached hereto.

was filed on April 15, 2003 as

Application Serial No. PCT/JP03/04771
and was amended on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent of inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Yes	No
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 and 1.63(d) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status)
_____	_____	(patented, pending, abandoned)

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Attorney's Docket Number: SON-2651

English Language Declaration

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

1 Ronald P. Kananen, Reg. No. 24,104; Ralph T. Rader, Reg. No. 28,772;
 Michael D. Fishman, Reg. No. 31,951, Richard D. Grauer, Reg. No. 22,388;
 Joseph V. Coppola, Sr., Reg. No. 33,373; Michael B. Stewart, Reg. No. 36,018;
 Steven L. Nichols, Registration No. 40,326

Send Correspondence to:

Ronald P. Kananen, Esq.
 RADER, FISHMAN & GRAUER
 The Lion Building
 1233 20th Street, N.W., Suite 501
 Washington, D.C. 20036

Direct telephone calls to:

Ronald P. Kananen, Esq.
 (202) 955-3750

Full name of first joint inventor Takakiyo KANAZAWA

Inventor's signature Takakiyo Kanazawa

Date September 2, 2004

Residence Kanagawa, Japan JPX

Citizenship JAPANESE

Post Office Address c/o SONY CORPORATION
 7-35, KITASHINAGAWA 6-CHOME, SHINAGAWA-KU,
 TOKYO, JAPAN

Full name of second joint inventor Tetsu WATANABE

Second Inventor's signature Tetsu Watanabe

Date September 3, 2004

Residence Tokyo, Japan JPX

Citizenship JAPANESE

Post Office Address c/o SONY CORPORATION
 7-35, KITASHINAGAWA 6-CHOME, SHINAGAWA-KU,
 TOKYO, JAPAN

Full name of third joint inventor Sunao AOKI

Third Inventor's signature Sunao Aoki

Date September 7, 2004

Residence Kanagawa, Japan JPX

Citizenship JAPANESE

Post Office Address c/o SONY CORPORATION
 7-35, KITASHINAGAWA 6-CHOME, SHINAGAWA-KU,
 TOKYO, JAPAN

(Supply similar information and signature for subsequent joint inventors.)

Docket No.: SON-2651
(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Takakiyo Kanazawa et al

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Confirmation No.:

Filed: September 21, 2004

Art Unit: N/A

For: OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS AND
OPTICAL DISK APPARATUS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

ASSOCIATE POWER OF ATTORNEY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please recognize the following as having Associate Power of Attorney in this case:

Robert Green, Reg. No. 41,800, Brian K. Dutton, Reg. No. 47,255, David T. Nikaido, Reg. No. 22,663, Alexander D. Rabinovich, Reg. No. 37,425, Ralph T. Rader, Reg. No. 28,772, Carl Schaukowich, Reg. No. 29,211, Michael B. Stewart, Reg. No. 36,018, Shawn B. Cage , Reg. No. 51,522, and Lee Cheng, Reg. No. 40,949.

Please associate Customer Number 23353 with this case and direct all communications to

Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC
Suite 501
1233 20th St., NW
Washington, DC 20036

Please continue to direct all communication to the undersigned at the below address.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 21, 2004

Ronald P. Kananen
Reg. No. 47,255

Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC
Suite 501
1233 20TH Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036
Telephone: (202) 955-3750
Customer No. 23353